provision takes effect, Section 3 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect. This Act may not be interpreted to have any effect on that termination provision.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and may vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly and, subject to Section 6 of this Act, shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if there is a vacancy in the position of county superintendent in the Prince George's County school system on or after the date this Act takes effect, the Prince George's County Board of Education may not appoint a permanent county superintendent of schools until after the first Monday in December, 2002. The Prince George's County Board of Education shall initiate a search process for a permanent county superintendent not later than 30 days after the first Monday in December 2002. The Board shall appoint a permanent county superintendent no later than April 1, 2003, unless extenuating circumstances exist as determined by the Board, in consultation with the State Superintendent of Schools. In this event, the Board shall appoint a permanent county superintendent no later than July 1, 2003.

SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 10 of this Act, Section 4 of this Act shall take effect on the taking effect of the termination provision specified in Section 4 of Chapter 464 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999. If that termination provision takes effect, Section 3 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect. This Act may not be interpreted to have any effect on that termination provision.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That before Sections 5 and 6 of this Act become effective they shall first be submitted to a referendum of the legally qualified voters of Prince George's County at the general election to be held in November of 2006. The cost of the special election, if any, shall be paid by the County governing body. The County governing body and the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Prince George's County shall do those things necessary and proper to provide for and hold the referendum required by this section. If a majority of the votes east on the question are "For the referred law" the provisions of Sections 5 and 6 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2008, but if a majority of the votes east on the question are "Against the referred law" the provisions of Sections 5 and 6 of this Act are of no effect and null and void. Notwithstanding the effect of the provisions of Sections 5 and 6 of this Act after approval at referendum under this section, the members of the Board serving on December 31, 2007 shall remain in office until December 1, 2008, and if a vacancy occurs before November 4, 2008, the member's successor shall be appointed in accordance with Section 3 or Section 4 of this Act, as appropriate, to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Sections 9 and 10 of this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2002.

Approved May 6, 2002.